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Mr. W. Park Armstrong, Jr.  
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Dear Mr. Armstrong:

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Reference is made to the letter from Mr. Fisher Howe, Acting Special Assistant for Research and Intelligence, dated 15 July 1949, requesting that a P-4 cartographer be appointed on a fulltime basis in the Map Branch of this Agency, reimbursement of salary to be provided from funds made available to the Department for the National Intelligence Survey Program.

After careful consideration, it is felt that a more satisfactory arrangement to this Agency at the present time would be the appointment of a P-4 cartographer to the Office of Intelligence Research in your organization.

Upon completion of a favorable security investigation of the incumbent this Agency would provide him with freedom of access to appropriate offices and facilities of the Map Branch, so that he could conduct his liaison duties in respect to the cartographic phases of the NIS Program with maximum use of the technical advice and assistance available from the Map Branch. With your concurrence, this Agency at that time would also train the incumbent in the methods and techniques practiced in the Map Branch. During this training period, a competent cartographer would be made available, on a full time loan basis if necessary, to provide the liaison and cartographic assistance required by OIR for its NIS work.

It is hoped that this proposal will be an acceptable alternative to the suggestion embodied in your request.

Sincerely,

/s/ R. H. Hillenkoetter  
R. H. HILLENKOETTER  
Rear Admiral, USN  
Director of Central Intelligence

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